

REMARKS

In the Office Action mailed April 27, 2005, the Examiner noted that claims 1-56 were pending, and rejected claims 1-56. Claims 1, 2, 12, 13, 20, 21, 27, 28, 35 and 36 have been amended, claims 17-19, 26 and 32-34 have been canceled, and, thus, in view of the forgoing claims 1-16, 20-25, 27-31 and 35-56 remain pending for reconsideration which is requested. No new matter has been added. The Examiner's rejections are traversed below.

Page 2 of the Office Action rejects all claims under 35 U.S.C. § 103 over Herr-Hoyman and Eikeland.

Herr-Hoyman involves providing a publication area in a server and a mechanism for publishing on the WWW along with an accounting technique. The maker of a page can register in the server and receives an ID. Then by transmitting a credit card number, a WWW file to be published and the ID, the maker has the page of the file published and the maker is charged based on the volume of the transmission. The maker also receives a password to allow page changes or updates to be made. When the maker wants to update the page, the maker transmits the ID, password, WWW page file and credit card number, the update is published and the maker is charged based on transmission volume.

In contrast, the invention of claim 1 involves a different aspect than page publication. When a page maker is provided with a public area on the server by the server, the client must follow a procedure for starting use of the public area provided by the server and it is necessary to set connection information including the server address, the ID and the password in the FTP tool for uploading the page to the server. The present invention is involved with this aspect. The present invention provides a mechanism for execution of a procedure for starting use of a public area and setting necessary information for FTP uploading. While a WWW page maker of a client has conventionally been required to understand or grasp information unique to the maker, such as folder configuration on the server, the present invention is designed to eliminate this necessity. In the present invention, the set information necessary for uploading the WWW page is correlated with the logon ID and the time and labor associated with this on the part of the maker is saved by the client automatically obtaining such through a transfer from the server.

Because the present invention is trying to solve this problem the present invention calls for the client to request the server for connection information using the user ID information, the connection information requested of the server to be sent to the client and for the client to use the obtained connection information to transfer the file (see, for example claim 1).

Herr-Hoyman (and/or) Eikeland do not teach or suggest such. For this reason withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

Further, in the Action on page 3, the Examiner alleges that Eikeland teaches a prior user registration that allows connection information to be sent in a subsequent access or reconnection. The Examiner points to Eikeland at col. 3, line 65-col. 4, line 19, col. 4, lines 36-45 and col. 1, lines 39-54. This text, particularly col. 4, lines 8-19, discusses registering a node not a user and allows access by the node registered, not the user. That is, on the next connection it is the node that is controlling any access requests. The present invention, in contrast, registers users ("user identification information including user ID and a password" - claim 1) and it is the user information, not node information, which is used in a request for connection information.

For this additional reason, withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

It is submitted that the invention of the claims distinguishes over the prior art and withdrawal of the rejection is requested.

It is submitted that the claims are not taught, disclosed or suggested by the prior art. The claims are therefore in a condition suitable for allowance. An early Notice of Allowance is requested.

If any further fees, other than and except for the issue fee, are necessary with respect to this paper, the U.S.P.T.O. is requested to obtain the same from deposit account number 19-3935.


Respectfully submitted,

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